

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Described herein are a device and a method for storing and/or dispensing plane, rigid, or flexible items, such as banknotes, cards or the like. The items are stored sequentially between successive windings of ribbon means which are wound and unwound between a supporting element, driven in rotation by at least one electric motor, and at least one take-up member. The supporting element has a non-circular cross section for obtaining one or more distinct resting surfaces on which the ribbon means are wound.